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1 A method for detecting copyright violation, comprising the following steps:

receiving streamed data segments of suspected copyright infringing material;

generating an electronic signature for each said data segment of said suspected material; and

comparing each said signature for each said data segment of said suspected material to electronic signatures of original copyright material.

- 2. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: extracting streamed data from the Web onto a server connected to the Internet; and converting said streamed data to a binary stream.
- 3. The method of Claim 2, further comprising:

 parsing said streamed data into data segments; and
 generating a signature for each said streamed data
 segment.
- 4. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: parsing original copyright material into data segments; and generating an electronic signature for each said
- copyright data segment.
- 5. The method of Claim 1, further comprising:

 performing signature analysis on said streamed data
 segments; and
 - visually examining said data segments matching any said

5 copyright data segments.

The method of Claim 1, further comprising:

2 providing key data critical to recognizing said

3 copyright material for searching the Internet for infringing

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7. A system for detecting copyright violation, comprising: receiving means for receiving streamed data of suspected copyright infringing material;

signature generation means for generating electronic signatures of said suspected material; and

comparator means for comparing each said signature for each said data segment of said suspected material to electronic signatures of original copyright material.

- 8. The system of Claim 7, further comprising:
 extraction means for extracting streamed data from the
 Internet onto a server connected to the Internet; and
 binary conversion means for converting said streamed
 data to a binary stream.
- 9. The system of Claim 8, further comprising: parsing means for parsing said streamed data into data segments; and means for generating a signature for each said streamed data segment.
- 10. The system of Claim 7, further comprising:
 parsing means for parsing original copyright material
 into data segments; and
 means for generating an electronic signature for each
 said copyright data segment.
- 11. The system of Claim 7, further comprising:
 comparison means for performing signature analysis on
 said streamed data segments; and
 means for displaying and examining said suspected data
 segments matching any said copyright data segments if
 matching signatures exceed a predetermined number.

The system of Claim 7, further comprising:

key data critical to recognizing said copyright

material for searching the Internet for infringing copyright

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a search engine available to said server for searching the Internet;

receiving means on said server for receiving streamed data of suspected copyright infringing material;

signature generation means for generating electronic signatures of said suspected material; and

comparator means for comparing each said signature for each said data segment of said suspected material to electronic signatures of original copyright material.

- 14. The system of Claim 13, further comprising:

 means for loading said copyright material onto said
 server for comparison to infringing copyright material.
- 15. The system of Claim 13, further comprising:
 data critical to said copyright material for searching
 the Internet for infringing copyright material.
- 16. The system of Claim 13, further comprising:
 data streaming means for streaming suspected infringing
 data files from locations on the Internet.
- 17. The system of Claim 13, further comprising: conversion means for converting said streaming data to a binary stream.

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18. A computer program product within a computer readable medium having instructions for detecting copyright violation, comprising:

instructions within said computer readable medium for receiving streamed data of suspected copyright infringing material:

instructions within said computer readable medium for generating electronic signatures of said suspected material; and

instructions within said computer readable medium for comparing each said signature for each said data segment of said suspected material to electronic signatures of original copyright material.

19. The computer program product of Claim 18, further comprising:

instructions within said computer readable medium for extracting streamed data from the Web onto a server connected to the Internet; and

instructions within said computer readable medium for converting said streamed data to a binary stream.

20. The computer program product of claim 19, further comprising:

instructions within said computer readable medium for parsing said streamed data into data segments; and

instructions within said computer readable medium for generating a signature for each said streamed data segment.

21. The computer program product of Claim 18, further comprising:

instructions within said computer readable medium for parsing original copyright material into data segments; and

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instructions within said computer readable medium for generating an electronic signature for each said copyright data segment.

22. The computer program product of Claim 18, further comprising:

instructions within said computer readable medium for performing signature analysis on said streamed data segments; and

instructions within said computer readable medium for visually examining said data segments matching any said copyright data segments.

23. The computer program product of Claim 18, further comprising:

instructions within said computer readable medium for providing key data critical to recognizing said copyright material for searching the Internet for infringing copyright material..